

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN THE MATTER OF: Robert Skvorecz  
REISSUE OF US PATENT: 5,996,948  
SERIAL NO.: 09/772,278  
FILED: March 15, 2001  
TITLE: WIRE CHAFING STAND  
GROUP: 3632 CONF. NO.: 9274  
EXAMINER: Tan Le

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Communication mailed May 23, 2011. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any required fees from Deposit Account No. 504581.

Attached hereto is a copy of the reissue claims taken directly from the Appendix in the record on appeal dated July 21, 2005. The attached claims also conform to the claims shown in the physical compilation of the record before the Court of Appeals on page 50 thereof. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit rendered a decision on September 3, 2009 reversing the final rejection of claims 1-5 and 7.

The status of the reissue claims remain as follows: